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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Katsutomo Terashima *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/434,024

Examiner: C. Jackson

Filed: November 4, 1999

Group Art Unit: 2881

For: EXCIMER LASER DEVICE AND
GAS FOR EXCIMER DEVICE

PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

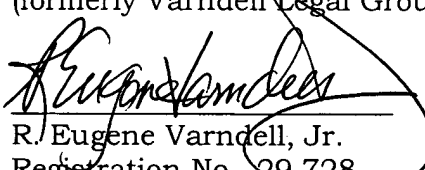
December 9, 2002

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136, applicant petitions for a two-month extension of time for filing an appeal brief following the Notice of Appeal filed on August 8, 2002. Without extension, an appeal brief is due within two months from the filing of the Notice of Appeal, 37 CFR § 1.192 (a). Accordingly, this Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time will extend the time for filing an appeal brief to December 8, 2002. Since December 8, 2002, was a Sunday, an appeal brief can be timely filed on the following business day, Monday, December 9, 2001. A check in the amount of \$400.00 (FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS) for the Two-Month Extension of Time fee is enclosed.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee therefor, as well as any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,
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